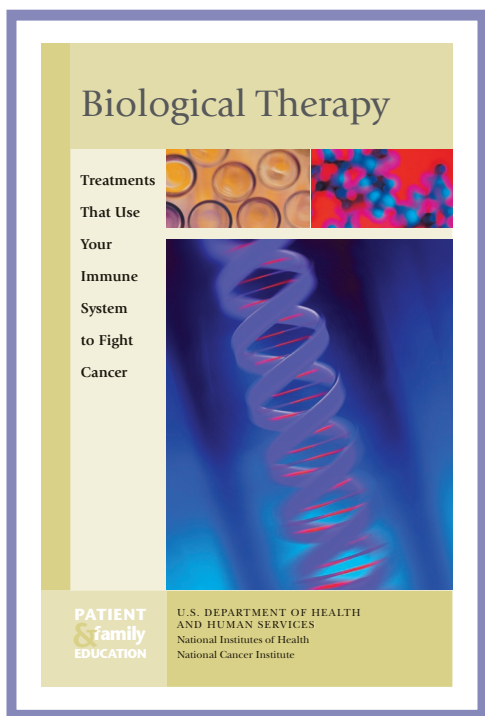


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To help prepare patients for biological therapy, this booklet explains:

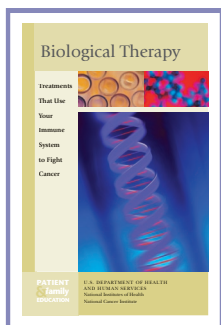
- What biological therapy is.
- The immune system.
- The difference between biological therapy and chemotherapy.
- How biological therapy fights cancer.

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The booklet encourages patients to discuss these questions with their doctors or nurses:

- Why do you recommend biological therapy for me?
- Will biological therapy be my only treatment?
- How often will I get treatment?
- What side effects can I expect?



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